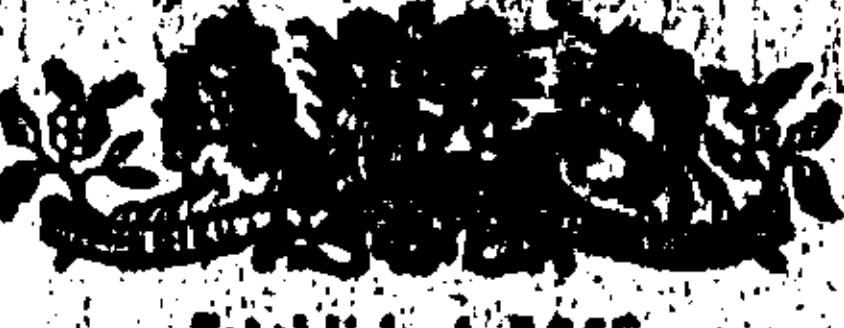


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May Have To Bomb Manchuria

Washington, Nov. 28. A Washington Defence official commented today: "We foresee the possible development of a situation which might force us to cross the air border into Manchuria. But such a decision would be reached with the greatest reluctance because it would be a big step in involving us in an all-out war in China." General MacArthur's "entire new war" appraisal was not entirely shared by military opinion in Washington. Some military specialists on the Far East clung to the view that the Chinese Communists are trying hard for a "face saving" local victory as a backdrop for political negotiations, and have not launched an all-out effort to retake Korea.—Associated Press.

Wu Creates A Bad Impression

Lake Success, Nov. 28. The Security Council meeting today to hear American and Chinese charges directed against each other, adjourned until Wednesday afternoon without further action, but Western delegates gloomily said that instead of showing any sign of reconciliation, the Chinese had outdone the Russians in blasting the United States. They said that Wu Hsi-chuan, chief Peking delegate to the Security Council meeting, had created the worst possible impression in his first speech and had done much to draw closer together those members of the Security Council supporting UN action in Korea.—Associated Press.

Distinguished Visitor

Tokyo, Nov. 28. One of Britain's foremost authorities on Japan, Sir George Sansom, at present Director of the East Asian Institute at Columbia University, arrived in Tokyo today for a six weeks' stay. Sir George is scheduled to give a series of five lectures at the Tokyo University on Japanese history in relation to world history. He will also address the Asiatic Society of Japan at a special meeting at the British Embassy. Sir George is former President of the Society.—Reuter.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

The Public Would Like To Know

CROSS-harbour transportation services are so important to Hong-kong's vast concourse of commuters that it is unthinkable there will be any apathetic reaction to the Harbour Ferry Services Advisory Committee's questionnaire which this week will be distributed to the general public. In this case the Committee is acting on behalf of the Inter-Departmental Committee established by Government last June, its task being to try and discover public feeling about improved ferry services. Its terms of reference are clear enough and it is to the credit of the committee that it has drawn up a questionnaire which any intelligent child can understand and fill in. The committee is looking for direct positive or negative answers to questions easy of understanding which deal with: (a) additional ferry services and (b) present and future bus services connecting with the cross harbour traffic. We have no intention of trying to anticipate the outcome of this Gallup Poll, but we heartily commend it to all, and we suggest that it is the duty of everyone who has the slightest interest in communications between the island and mainland to make an honest effort at filling in the questionnaire. We are, however, struck with a by-thought. Both the report of the Inter-Departmental Committee and the declarations made more recently by the Advisory Committee stress that if any decentralisation and enlargement of cross harbour ferry services are agreed upon, they will be of long-term character. And this is so. What is not clear is whether the Government considers

this as the ultimate in cross-harbour transportation. In other words, has Government finally decided to ignore for all time Sir Patrick Abercrombie's insistent recommendation for a cross-harbour tunnel? And Sir Patrick was most emphatic about such a project. In fact his preliminary report inferred that the main features of his town planning scheme for Hongkong and Kowloon depended on the construction of a harbour tunnel. Let us recall what he reported: "A tunnel from the centre of Hongkong to the tip of Kowloon is the biggest single town planning and engineering feature for consideration in connection with the development of the Colony." A fairly inclusive opinion and clearly intended to indicate that anything thereafter he had to suggest in the way of town planning was largely contingent on the presence of a tunnel. Later on in another reference to the harbour tunnel project, Sir Patrick wrote: "The engineering problems require to be further investigated and the cost brought into relation to the economic position of the Colony: but sooner or later the tunnel must be constructed. Therefore, while we applaud Government's practical interest in the improvement of ferry and bus services, and while we give unqualified support to the Advisory Committee's questionnaire, we still think the public should be officially reassured about Government's attitude to the Abercrombie recommendation for a harbour tunnel." Has Government banished the idea for ever, or does it still figure as an essential feature of the Government's long term planning?

The World Facing A Grave, New Crisis DESPERATE KOREAN SITUATION

Great Concern In Washington Over Events SECRECIES OVER WHITE HOUSE MEETING

Washington, Nov. 28. The US government, shocked and spurred to fresh action by the grave turn of events in Korea, today sought urgent measures to halt the Red tide in the Far East and at other danger spots all along the Iron Curtain. There were plain indications of official concern that a third world war could be developing — and that the threat might not be confined to Korea. On Capitol Hill, some voices were raised in favour of using the atom bomb against the on-surgings Chinese Communists.

President Harry Truman met with the National Security Council, the government's top policy-making agency in matters affecting the country's safety. The White House dropped a thick cloak of secrecy over the one hour and 15 minute meeting. The President's military and diplomatic advisers left his office in sober, tight-lipped silence. Secretary of Defence George Marshall, after conferring earlier with Mr. Truman, said the free world is faced with "a very critical situation" which the United Nations must resolutely "face up to." General Marshall told the National Women's Press Club that the seriousness of the situation lies not so much in the Korean ground fighting as in the effect of the Chinese Red attack on the world situation.

BEHIND CLOSED DOORS Congressional leaders likewise voiced deepest concern over the Far Eastern crisis. Senator Robert Taft, Ohio Republican, said it may force Congress to stay in session through Christmas. High defence officials said no consideration is being given to using the atom bomb now. Secretary of State Dean Acheson conferred behind closed doors with the Senators soon after he ordered a charge of aggression filed against the Chinese Communists in the United Nations Security Council.

This could result in the war being carried—perhaps by US bombers—into Chinese Communist territory. And Red China has a mutual defence agreement with the Soviet Union, which from the first has fought UN intervention in the Korean conflict.

SOVIET IMPERIALISM Chairman Tom Connally of the Senate Armed Services Committee said Mr. Acheson described "the grave situation into which Soviet imperialism has brought the free people of the world." Mr. Acheson told of administration plans to bolster the military and economic strength of Communist threatened areas in addition to Korea, Mr. Connally said. Another Senator, Mr. Alexander Smith, New Jersey Republican, said the discussion raised various questions, one of them concerning the possible use of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist forces on the Island of Formosa to bolster UN fighting strength. Mr. Acheson gave no opinion, Mr. Smith said.

Chiang has offered 30,000 troops. The United Nations has not accepted them so far on the theory that their use would bring the Chinese Communists fully into the fighting. Mr. Acheson repeatedly told the Senators also that the Korean situation is no more serious than the situation in Europe.—Associated Press.

World's Biggest Air Ticket



Attalah Durrani, the man with the world's biggest and dearest air ticket, arrived in London recently. He is a representative of the Rice Institute of America and he plans to visit 60 of the World's cities during a six-month survey. The ticket is five feet long and cost £1,500.—London Express Service.

Fighters In Mock Attacks On Colony

Hongkong residents who awakened bleary-eyed, extra early this morning must blame it on four squadrons of fast-flying fighter planes which have been zooming and droning over the Colony since soon after sunrise. They have been carrying out mock attacks on various targets in and around Hongkong. Squadron leaders have been directing strafing attacks on Kai Tak, the Dockyard and various ships in the harbour.

This has been a combined Navy-Air Force exercise. Two squadrons of Sea Furies and Fireflies from the carrier Theseus, which is a few miles out in the China Sea, have been operating with two squadrons of Spitfires from Kai Tak.

The RAF PRO said this morning that the RAF has been eager to have such an exercise for some time, so, with the Theseus in port, it was decided to make it a combined one. Incidentally, the worried citizen who telephoned to say paratroopers were being dropped over Kowloon was mistaken. It was only the met. balloon—and it was going up, not down.

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Fierce Bayonet Battle

WITH THE US NINTH CORPS, Nov. 29.—The British Brigade pulled back today (Wed.) after a fierce hand-to-hand bayonet battle with Chinese Communists near Wawon. Turkish troops were said to have retreated. The Communists have entered Wawon. The American Second Division was withdrawing from this sector. Losses of three battalions important towns, Wawon, Yawon and Sanchon, were reported. The Chinese had been attacking since the morning. The Chinese had been attacking since the morning. The Chinese had been attacking since the morning.

Danger Of UN Forces Being Overwhelmed

Tokyo, Nov. 29. Chinese Communist troops, swarming like locusts along "every road, gully and ridgeline" in a widening breakthrough, threatened yesterday to overwhelm four US Divisions in Northwest Korea. Simultaneously seven Chinese Red Divisions opened an offensive in the snows of the northeast front against two more US Divisions. Two mysterious four-engined planes appeared over this front.

An estimated 200,000 Chinese and 70,000 Korean Reds were in the combined offensives. Already their pressure had caused four South Korean Divisions to crumple, exposing the right flank of the retreating US Eighth Army of the northwest. Dangerous holes were opened in the centre of the line.

Other Reds infiltrated back of the lines setting up road blocks. The main supply road to the northwest front was menaced.

Captured Chinese prisoners said the Chinese objectives was to fight in Korea all winter to destroy 50,000 or 60,000 Americans.

The critical battlefield developments impelled General Douglas MacArthur to summon his two top commanders in Korea to a secret emergency conference in Tokyo that lasted until early today (Wednesday). They were Major-General Edward M. Almond, whose Tenth Corps is spread over 25,000

to Pukchang, 12 miles southeast of Tokchon and only five miles north of the Allied supply base of Sunchon.

US First Cavalry troops are holding Sunchon, which is 37 miles north of the former Communist capital of Pyongyang.

The First Corps' spokesman said if Chinese troops continue to push along their present line of advance they will threaten to cut the main supply line from Pyongyang to the Chongchon River front.—Associated Press.

TOWN ELIMINATED

Tokyo, Nov. 28. The town of Taechon has been "eliminated" in raids by American Superforts dropping 500-ton bombs, crews reported today.

Taechon is an important rail and supply center in the North-Western corner of North Korea, located at the western end of what was considered the main Chinese-North Korean defence line at the time General MacArthur started his current "end the war" offensive.

More than 350 combat sorties were flown by Fifth Air Force fighter bombers and F4F Bomber Command Superforts yesterday in the main battle area, chiefly around Taechon and Tokchon.—Reuter.

Naval Engagement

Sydney, Nov. 28. A man involved in a naval engagement was executed today service here. His job: Dance teacher at a Sydney naval station.

The judge closed the work as "most important."—Reuter.

Peking Refuses To Stop Chinese "Volunteers" Going To Korea

Lake Success, Nov. 28. Red China replied in the United Nations Security Council today to United States charges of aggression that Chinese Communists in Korea are volunteers and that Peking will not stop their departure for the battlefield.

Wu Hsi-chuan, chief Chinese Communist spokesman at the UN, said in his first speech to the Council session that the security of his country is endangered by United States aggression against Korea and is alarmed by the spread toward China of the "flames" of the US "war of aggression."—Associated Press.

Odd People And Unusual Happenings

Odenwald, Germany, Nov. 28. Adolf Ellenbock, a gaunt bearded man clad in rags is living with his wife and daughter in a hide-out cave. He gave up a prosperous career as an architect about 15 years ago (he has lost count) to "return to nature".

The family are strict vegetarians, thriving on quail and quails culled from the hillsides daily. His 13-year-old cave-born daughter Marie walks an hour each way to school. Her father, who wears only tattered shorts in all weather, keeps her in a cave.

BUSHMAN IN VISCONTI Wellington, Nov. 28. Eighty-five-year-old Foster George, a veteran bull-dog driver, told the Press that he now recognizes him as the rightful holder of the title Viscount Avonmore.

He lives on a farm at Baunatti South. He told Reuter that he did not feel inclined "to wear myself up in crime and what not and take a seat in the House of Lords."

He said that he only made the claim for the sake of his family.—Reuter.

JEALOUS UNDERTAKER

Berlin, Nov. 28. When a 35-year-old man died, his two sons, one living in the Russian sector, the other in the Western sector, both ordered an funeral.

But after the Western hearse had carried the body to the cemetery, a hearse from the Eastern sector arrived.

The East Berlin undertaker, named over the road, told the Press that he had been ordered to take the body to the Western cemetery, forced his way into the hearse, took the body from the Western coffin and put it in his own coffin.

LUCKY HORSESHOE

Sydney, Nov. 28. A horse shoe saved an Englishman from a bullet when he was swept from a bridge in the dark by a Nazi plane.

Carried along a live he slipped off a horse and fell. A bullet hit his head and he was killed. The horse shoe was found on the ground near the bridge. It was a lucky horse shoe.

Britain To Back SE Asia Aid Plan

London, Nov. 28. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, told the House of Commons today that Britain would support the Commonwealth six-year plan for development of South and South-East Asia to the full extent of her resources.

He described the plan as "great and imaginative" and estimated that Britain's contribution, including repayment of "Sterling" balances, may amount to well over £200,000,000.

Mr. Anthony Eden, welcoming the plan, thought that a special word of thanks should be said to the Australian Government for their initiative in pushing forward the plan in London.

The text of Mr. Gaitskell's statement was as follows: "The British Government will support this great and imaginative programme for economic development in South and South-East Asia to the extent their resources permit."

"To begin with, there is the technical co-operation scheme which must be the foundation of so much of that development."

"We shall give that scheme our support both in finance, in respect of which we have already promised a contribution up to £2,800,000 over a three-year period, and in helping to the best of our ability to find the men."—Reuter.

Fire On Freighter At Wharf

A ship's sling drawn across potash sweepings is believed to have sparked a fire which burnt out in a hold on the new Swedish freighter, Ceylon, on her maiden voyage, to Hongkong at Kowloon wharf this morning.

Three appliances from the Fire Brigade under the direction of Deputy Chief Officer C. W. Brand, arrived at the wharf at 10 o'clock. They found the ship's crew had brought the fire under control by using CO2 extinguishers.

Passengers' luggage and some cases of film paper from Belgium were damaged before the Brigade extinguished the fire with water.

Firemen with self-contained breathing apparatus to ward off CO2 fumes later descended into the hold to salvage baggage.

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Sixteen-year-old Indo-Chinese mannequin Nicole Coyanne owns a pet alligator who is very fond of an occasional drink. Nicole was modelling a "Perspex" hat and a beige "Alligator" raincoat. — London Express Service.

CHINESE DELEGATE REFUSES TO DISCUSS INTERVENTION IN KOREA

United States Makes Direct Charge Of Aggression

Lake Success, Nov. 28.

The leader of the Chinese Communist delegation, Gen. Wu Hsiu-chuan, in his maiden speech to the Security Council, announced today that he would not take part in discussions on Korea.

Earlier, America had charged in the Council that Chinese Communist "intervention" in Korea had now become "aggression, outright and naked."

The American delegate, Mr Warren Austin, told the Council that the consequences of these facts "must be faced squarely by the people of the world and more particularly by the Council."

Mr Austin officially presented the Council with the message from General MacArthur which disclosed that 200,000 Chinese Communists are now engaged in Korea.

"The Security Council will wish to hear the latest news from the United Nations front in Korea," he said.

"Last week the forces of the United Nations opened a general attack designed to finish their assigned task of repulsing aggression and restoring international peace and security in the area."

"This attack has now been repulsed in circumstances which make it clear that Chinese Communist armed forces totalling more than 200,000 men are now engaged in North Korea."

"They are supported by heavy reinforcements moving forward from behind the international boundary. It now appears doubtful that the war in Korea can be quickly concluded."

"It is also clear beyond any doubt that what all the free world hoped was intervention for a limited purpose is, in fact, aggression open and naked."

Mr Austin asked the representative of the Chinese People's Republic the following questions: "How many Chinese Communist troops have entered Korea? What is their organization? Does the Peking Government maintain that these forces are composed entirely of volunteers? How long had the Peking regime been planning and preparing for this aggression?"

Mr Austin further asked, "How have private Chinese citizens come into the possession of jet planes? What is the Peking Government's estimate of United Nations objectives which decided it to intervene in Korea? What made that Government ignore and set aside the repeated assurances of the United Nations that there were no designs on Chinese territory or legitimate interests?"

"If the Peking Government does not believe these assurances what more can the Security Council do to reassure them that the United Nations has no evil designs? Why does the Peking Government resort to force instead of relying on the United Nations Commission for a peaceful settlement of frontier problems? What are the interests of the Peking Government relative to Korea?"

"Does the Peking Government feel that it can live in peace and good neighbourly relations with a unified Korea independent of outside influence or will it only feel secure when Korea is controlled by a Communist Government?"

Mr Austin repeated this last question in another form.

He asked, "Will the authorities at Peking justify the judgment of the United Nations or will they defy the United Nations, thus further endangering international peace and security?"

"The answer to this question may determine whether the Korean conflict will be brought to a speedy end or whether it will rage on, thus heightening the danger that it may spread and involve neighbouring areas."

"Will there be peace or war in the Far East?"

Mr Austin asked the Peking delegates, "Was intervention really in the interests of the Chinese people as has been proclaimed or was it on behalf of the great Russian power which has already wreaked so many benefits in Manchuria at the expense of the Chinese people?"

Mr Austin said that there was a gaping void between the facts on Formosa, as seen by most of the world and the facts as claimed by the Peking authorities.

The one hope was that the Security Council's discussion would result in some measure of agreement on the facts and some understanding by the Chinese Communist representatives of United Nations aims and purposes.

Mr Austin said that the 53 United Nations members who supported the Korean action must have been dismayed by the "unbridled unjustified attack" on the United Nations and its efforts to stop armed aggression in Korea and restore Far Eastern peace and security.

Mr Austin, after reviewing the last 50 years and United States aid to China in the last five years, said, "Millions of Chinese won't forget that they worked, travelled and were clothed during the harsh years following the American assistance because of American assistance."

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U.S. Navy Secretary Refuses To Commit Himself On Policy

Tokyo, Nov. 28.

Mr Francis P. Mathews, the United States Secretary of the Navy, would not commit himself on such questions as whether the United States Seventh Fleet should, or would, be withdrawn from Formosan waters at a press conference here today.

Neither would Mr Mathews commit himself on the question of whether the United States was prepared to render positive military aid to the French Indo-China nor on the question of whether the United States fleet strength in Far Eastern waters should be reduced after the Korean war.

Neither would he commit himself on the question whether the United States should retain naval or other bases in Japan after a peace treaty.

"The United States is not a militaristic nation and does not maintain larger military forces at any time than are necessary," Mr Mathews pointed out.

He thought the United States would maintain enough fleet strength "to back up its foreign policy whatever it will be," he added.

The question of bases in Japan, Mr Mathews thought, would depend on future world conditions, peace treaty negotiations and many other factors.

At the present time, it would be "pure speculation" to even say whether Japanese bases would be of any value to the United States.

Mr Mathews, who was to leave for the United States via Alaska some time this afternoon, said that his current visit to Japan and Korea was for a "routine inspection."

He said he was chiefly impressed during his tour by General Douglas MacArthur's "phenomenal ability and success" shown in his leadership; by the morale of the fighting men of all the armed forces, land, sea and air; and by progress made in the rehabilitation of Japan.

Mr Mathews paid high tribute to the navies of all other nations with whom co-operation has been "excellent."

"The British Navy has contributed substantially and effectively," Mr Mathews said. He added that he expected, upon his return to Washington, to report on the findings of his tour to the Defence Secretary, Mr George C. Marshall, and to President Truman.—Reuter.

MACARTHUR RUMOURS

Washington, Nov. 28.

Senator Styles Bridges (Republican, New Hampshire) said today that he had heard a rumour that General Omar Bradley, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, would replace General Douglas MacArthur as United Nations commander in Korea.

Senator Bridges cited the report in a formal statement issued while the Senate debated the Allied reversals in Korea stemming from Chinese Communist intervention.

"To replace MacArthur would be an irreparable blunder," he said. "We need all this man's military genius to offset the political mistakes of the Truman-Acheson combine."

He said General MacArthur's military decisions were subject to "political vetoes" by the United Nations and the high authorities in Washington. He urged that General MacArthur be given permission to bomb Communist supply lines and bases in Manchuria because otherwise he (the General) had an utterly impossible job in being asked to fight with one hand tied behind his back.

Senator Bridges also asked that General MacArthur be given authority to use the 30,000 Chinese Nationalist troops offered some time ago by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. These men should be taken from Formosa and sent to the Chinese mainland with the help of the United States Navy. He added that Chiang could direct them in guerrilla activity against the Reds.—United Press.

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Acheson Gives A Warning

Washington, Nov. 28.

The Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, told Senators today that Chinese Communist intervention in Korea presents a "very serious" situation and may mask even more serious Russian intentions in Europe.

Mr Acheson appeared before a closed session of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, as his Department dropped its wait-and-see attitude toward Red China and formally branded it an aggressor.

Senator Tom Connally said Mr Acheson outlined in detail the crisis which Soviet Russian imperialism had brought upon the free peoples of the world.

The Secretary of State called for a "far more rapid creation of strength" in Western Europe. Senator Connally said in a formal statement after the meeting. Two other Senators said Mr Acheson was concerned over the possibility that the Red move in Korea might be meant to mask Russian aggressive designs in Europe.—United Press.

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India Looking To Defences

New Delhi, Nov. 28.

The Indian Government and the Governments of the Indian provinces are fully alive to the need of defending the passes leading to Tibet. Pandit Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, said today in the Indian Parliament.

"For security reasons it is not possible to give details of the measures they have adopted or intend to adopt," he added.—Reuter.

Objection By Malik Rejected

Lake Success, Nov. 28.

M. Jacob Malik, the Soviet delegate, again objected at the Security Council meeting today to the bracketing of the Formosa and Korean questions on the agenda.

He did not, however, prolong his objection and the agenda was adopted with the two items on it. This procedure took only seven minutes.

General Wu Hsiu-chuan, the chief representative of the Chinese People's Republic, and Mr Ben C. Limb, the Foreign Minister of the Korean Republic were then invited to take their seats at the Council table.

The argument was then resumed as to who should speak first. Mr Warren Austin of the United States, or Gen. Wu.

M. Malik reiterated at some length his belief that Gen. Wu, as the "complainant," should be allowed to outline his charges against the United States "aggression" in Formosa and against China.

For almost an hour M. Malik and the Council President, Dr Alex Bihler, of Yugoslavia, argued the question.

Eventually Mahmoud Fawzi Bey, of Egypt, intervened to urge a vote, saying that he favoured giving the floor first to Mr Austin.—Reuter.

Pacific Pact Advocate

Manila, Nov. 29.

Senator William Knowland of the United States, shortly before his departure for San Francisco last night, reiterated his advocacy of a Pacific pact among nations resolved to combat the spread of Communism and said participation of the Philippines in such a pact would be essential in making anti-Communist defence effective in the Far East.

Senator and Mrs Knowland left last night aboard a Pan-American Strato-Clipper, en route to the United States after a three-week tour of the Orient during which they visited Japan, Korea, and Formosa in addition to Manila. The California Republican said that the Philippines, as a democratic stronghold in the Far East, could become one of the leading members of the group of nations to form a Pacific alliance similar to the Atlantic Pact.—United Press.

French Force In Korea

Lake Success, Nov. 28.

The United Nations Korean Commission reported today that a French infantry battalion was due to land in Pusan to join the United Nations forces in Korea. The battalion, made up of volunteers, mainly World War II veterans.

The Commission said other recent arrivals included 950 infantrymen from the Netherlands and a field ambulance team from India. The Indian ambulance unit brought its own equipment and consisted of 25 officers and 300 men of other ranks. The unit will join the British forces now in action.—United Press.

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COMMONS AND KOREA

London, Nov. 28.

Both Labour and Conservative Members of Parliament are expected to press tomorrow for more British initiative in joint Anglo-American policy, including Korea.

All Party anxiety about the extension of the Korean struggle will dominate the House of Commons. Foreign affairs debate with the likelihood of attacks on General MacArthur's latest offensive from a section of the Labour Government's supporters.

There will be no Conservative attack on General MacArthur who is regarded as carrying out his orders to fight. But some Opposition members will ask who is directing his policy.

They are anxious to know whether the United Nations General Assembly is the correct body to control this policy. A number of Opposition members and Government supporters consider that, as long as British troops are fighting in Korea, the Parliament has a right to advise the Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin.

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MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

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OH, FORGET IT. DEARLY, I PROBABLY JUST MISSED MY BOOBY.

I GOT HER PICTURE. NOW I'VE GOT TO GET HER NAME AND ADDRESS. OR I'LL BE IN TROUBLE!

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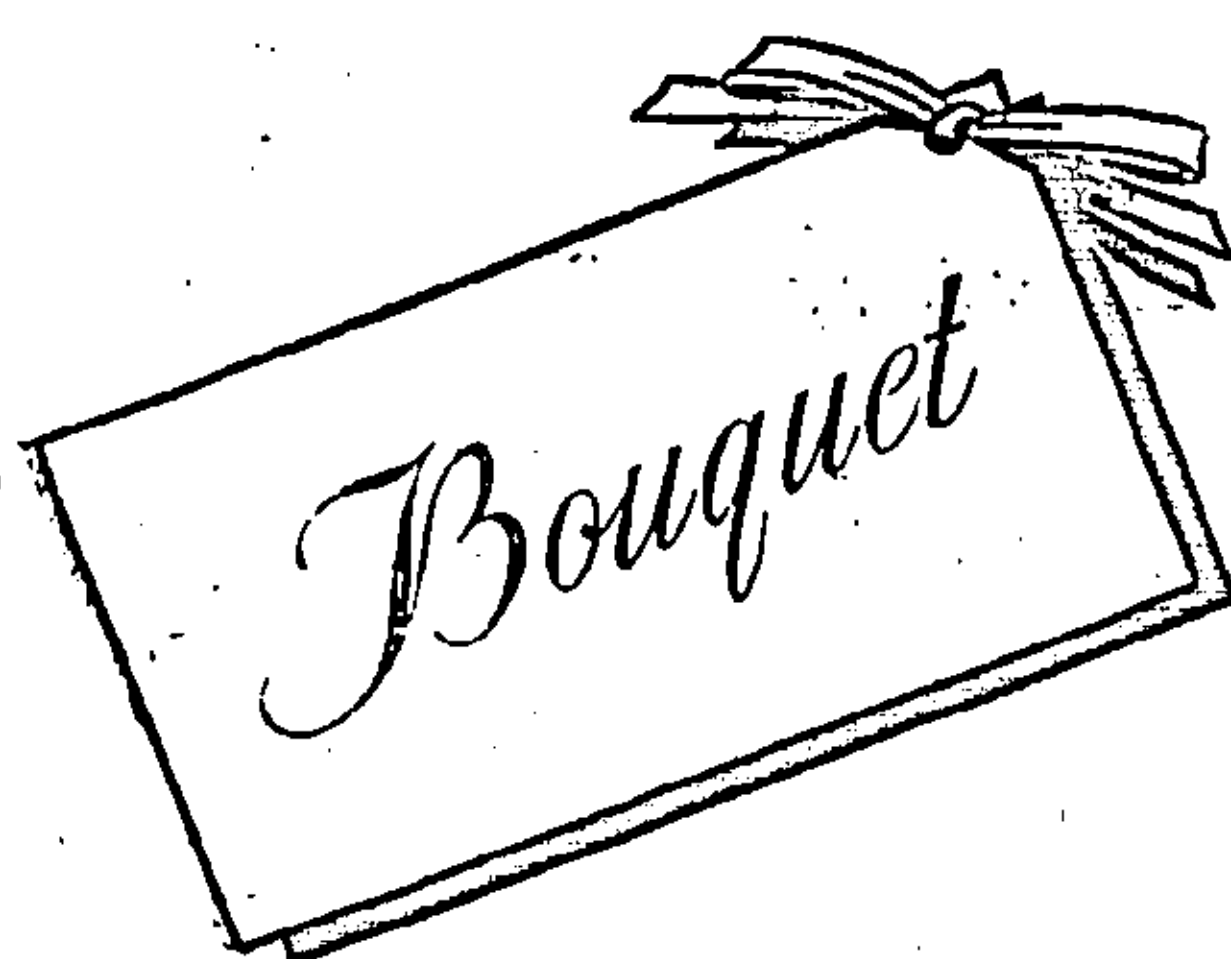
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By PRUNELLA WOOD Laddie Northridge

AMONG the extravagant accessories that are fun even if they are top bracket fashion, come these two flatterers...a theatre cap and long gloves to match, aquiver with passementerie sparked with jet beads and paillettes. They are both black as black, and are shown here with the first (and he says the last) frock which Laddie Northridge ever designed. The cap and gloves are his too, but more in his accustomed line.

The foundation of the cap is net, that of the gloves, silk jersey. The sheath is black silk velvet, and even if the boss was disappointed in it, we say it has one super good construction trick...it's two-piece and a lot easier to wear comfortably than those torture-boned, one-piece, camisole cum petticoat models.

Tips On Buying New China

By ELEANOR ROSS

COMPLAINTS come in batches: say the stores, and so do we! Lately we have received several letters complaining about open stock china. It seems that when the writers went back for fill-ins, why, they were told that the particular pattern was no more in stock!

So now a word about open stock. Many people have been disappointed in the purchase of what they thought was a lifetime china pattern, only to discover, when replacements were

required, that no more could be obtained. The explanation is simple. The length of life of any pattern is entirely dependent upon its popularity. It is absurd to expect a manufacturer to keep for an indefinite period the moulds and patterns for a design which sold only in small quantities.

Imagine the work entailed for a mass-production plant to replace a few individual items after a long period of years. Fashions change in china with reasonable rapidity.

Five Years

Some stores guarantee open stock for five years. When buying it is always a good idea to find out how long the pattern has been on the market and what are the chances for its future. If the pattern is exotic, if it is very, very pleasing to you, it is a good idea to buy a service larger than your needs, and to store away carefully the extra pieces.

With reasonable care, good china should be very long lasting. Once the pieces are in the wash basin or sink, move metal taps right to one side. Do not subject good china to abrupt changes of water temperature. Keep this in mind when warming dinner plates! Earthenware may develop crazing. Change to the extreme cold of refrigerators is a strain on china, yet how often we have seen a fine china dish just poked into the refrigerator, with the excuse that it was only for a little while. Well, that "little while" is enough to do damage.

For things that have an eye for decoration, do not use anything near a radiator or a fire. The dry design may be scratched or even washed away. Do not stack plates for this reason. When stacking, for this brings a heavy weight upon the lower pieces. If you must stack, use a soft cloth between the plates. Do not use a rough cloth or paper. If you must use a rough cloth or paper, use a soft cloth between the plates. Do not use a rough cloth or paper. If you must use a rough cloth or paper, use a soft cloth between the plates.

Try These Cheese Recipes

Says IDA BAILEY ALLEN

AUSTRALIANS use a cheese cleverly in many ways; as the foundation for interesting appetisers and as the basis for substantial entrees. "I have already discovered two new cheese appetisers for our readers," observed the Chef.

Cheese and Nut Rounds
Fry 2" rounds of white bread lightly in butter. Cover with a cheese spread made by mixing ¼ c. grated sharp cheddar cheese with 1 tsp. grated onion, ½ tsp. prepared mustard, 3 tsp. salad dressing and 1 ½ c. chopped salted peanuts or pecans. Garnish with thin slices of red radish.

Devilled Cheese Balls
Grate enough soft sharp cheddar cheese to make ½ c. Mix in ¼ c. cream cheese, 1 tsp. minced chutney, 1 tsp. mild vinegar and a few grains cayenne. Chill and form into marble sized balls. Put slices of pickle on bite size crackers. Top with the balls and serve.

Dinner
Vegetable Soup with Minced Beef Balls
Baked Cheese Fondue with Tomato Sauce or Chicken Loaf
French Fried Potatoes
Buttered Beef Pie
Spinach
Coffee, Tea or Milk

Vegetable Soup With Minced Beef Balls
Make 1 qt. vegetable soup from the bones left from Sunday's roast beef, or use 2 lbs. condensed vegetable soup with 2 cups boiling water. Heat until boiling rapidly. Then drop in minced "left-over" beef balls and simmer 10 min. Serve in shallow bowls or soup plates with 3 or 4 beef balls in each.

Minced "Left-Over" Beef Balls

Combine ¾ c. minced left-over cooked beef, ¼ tsp. celery salt, ¼ tsp. onion juice, 1 tsp. minced parsley, 2 tsp. fine soft bread crumbs, 1 egg yolk and 2 tsp. milk. Mix thoroughly. Then separate 4 eggs; beat the whites stiff and the yolks with cream. Add the yolks to the cheese mixture and turn into a qt. sized baking dish. Bake 30 min. in a moderate oven, about 350 F. Serve with tomato sauce.

Baked Cheese Fondue

Into a bowl put 1-1 ½ c. fine white bread crumbs (stale but not dry). Add 1 ½ c. grated sharp cheddar cheese, ¼ tsp. salt, ¼ tsp. paprika and ¼ tsp. dry mustard. Pour in 1 cup scalded milk and mix thoroughly. Then separate 4 eggs; beat the whites stiff and the yolks with cream. Add the yolks to the cheese mixture and turn into a qt. sized baking dish. Bake 30 min. in a moderate oven, about 350 F. Serve with tomato sauce.

Trick of the Chef

Add ½ c. fine-minced cooked chopped ham to cheese fondue before baking.

Your Sewing Scrapbook

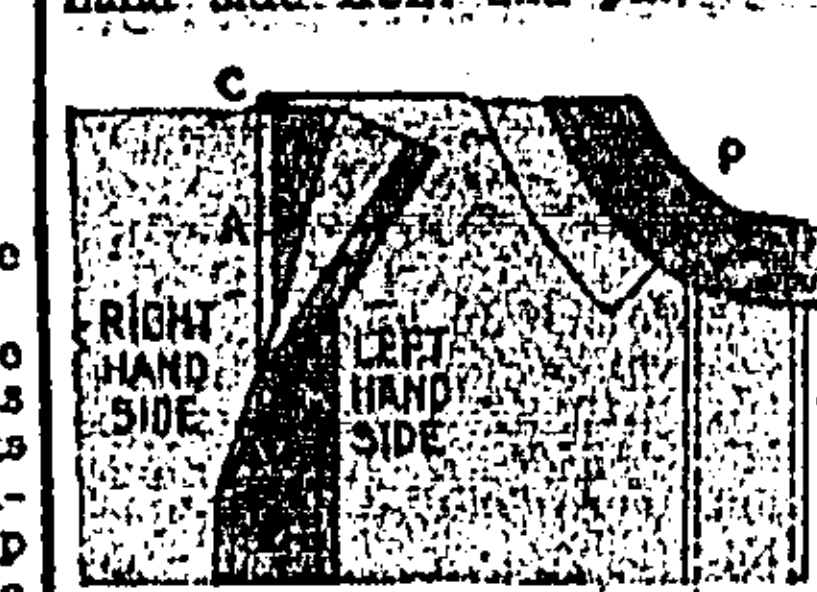
by Mary Brooks Picken

Tailored Blouses—Standbys For All Your Casual Clothes

FRONT-PLEAT blouses are seen with gulls, under jumpers and with separate skirts. You need only 1 ½ yds. of 30" pique broadcloth, linen or silk to make as shown.

For Front Pleat: Tear fabric in half crosswise. For pleat, cut a 2 ¼" lengthwise strip along one selvage of piece you use for front.

Stitch ¼" from edge each side. Make ½" hem on left-hand side, as at C. Centre front pleat over hem on left-hand side, front and pin.



Raw Edges Meet

Fold pleat over to right side, as at B, so raw edges meet but do not overlap. Press pleat so seam is in direct centre.

Stitch ¾" from edge each side. Make ¾" hem on left-hand side, as at C. Centre front pleat over hem on left-hand side front and pin.

Fold through centre. Pin in readiness for chalking out the blouse.

Chalk Out Blouse: Lay centre front folded as shown toward you. Fold over one selvage of piece for back, making it as wide as fronts. Fabric beyond this is used for collar band.

D is at centre front of pleat. Measure in from A 1 ½ neck plus ½" on both back and front for E. F is ¼ neck to left of D.

G is ¼" to right of D. H and I are ½ armhole plus 3" to left and right of D.

Chalk lines straight up to edges of fabric for J and K.



Measure up on these lines ¼ bust plus 3"; locate L and M. Draw straight lines to left and right of L and J. Curve underarms. N and O are each 2" in from line D.

Cut Out Blouse: Cut front neck from F to E and front shoulder E to J. Curve underarm line at J.

Cut back G to E, E to O, and over to K, then underarm from K. Cut about 1 ½" width bias from scraps.

To Make: Seam shoulders together, beginning at E, and using a ¾" seam. Stitch underarm seams, beginning at G, again using a ¾" seam. Clip seam at ¼" intervals at underarm curve.

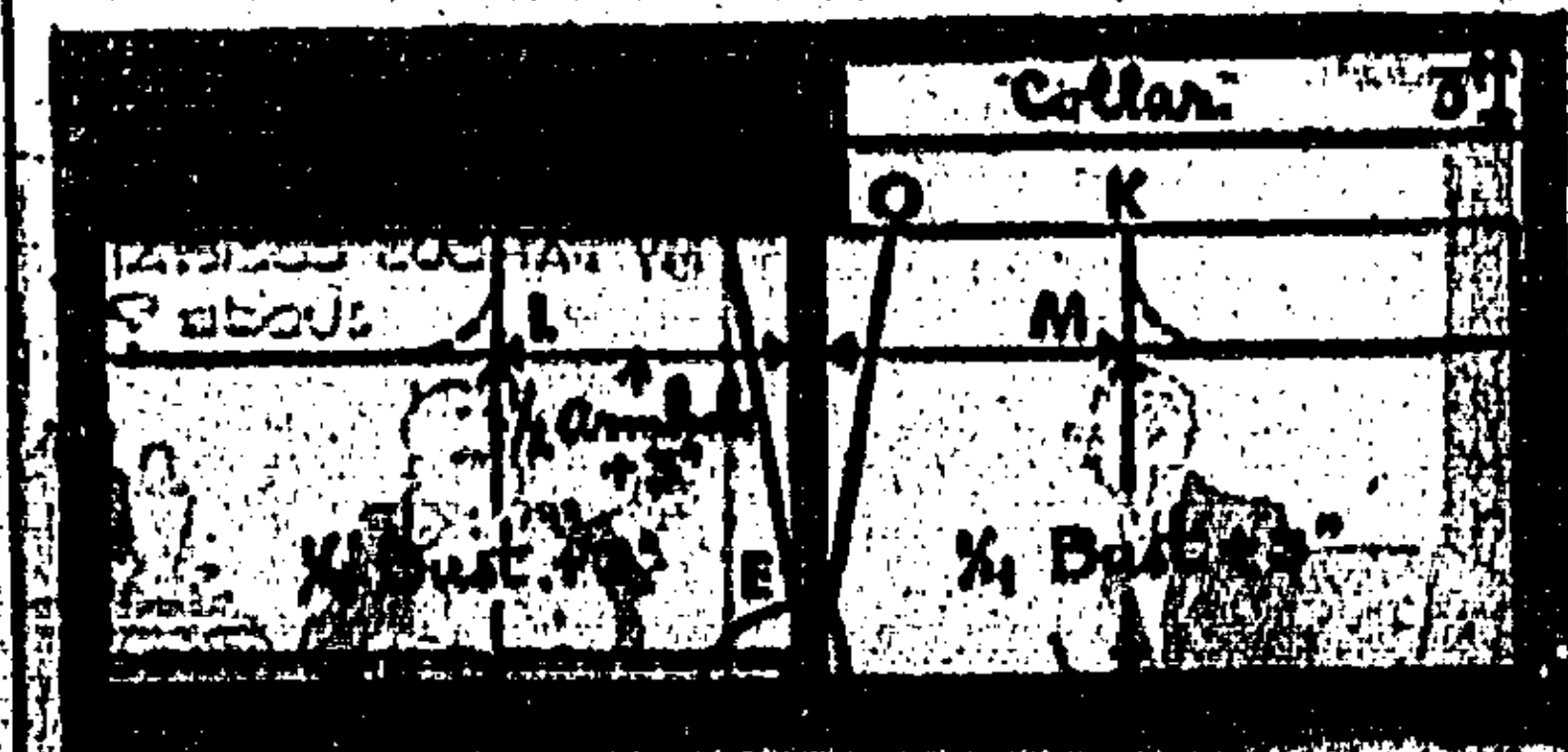
Hem bottom of sleeves. Pieces cut from underarms can be used for 2" band cuffs if desired.

Make band collar single stand-up, or for turn-over, cut it 3" wide. Stitch ends of collar, turn right-side out, and press.

Place Bias Binding
Lay collar to right side of neck. Over this place bias binding and pin. Stitch collar and bias as in P. Turn collar up and turn bias down on wrong side to cover raw edges.

Slip-stitch binding. Finish front edges. Use ¾" seam to join band to neckline.

Make a ¼" hem on bottom edge. Use lengthwise buttonholes in front pleat, and sew buttons on left-hand hem to correspond with buttonholes.



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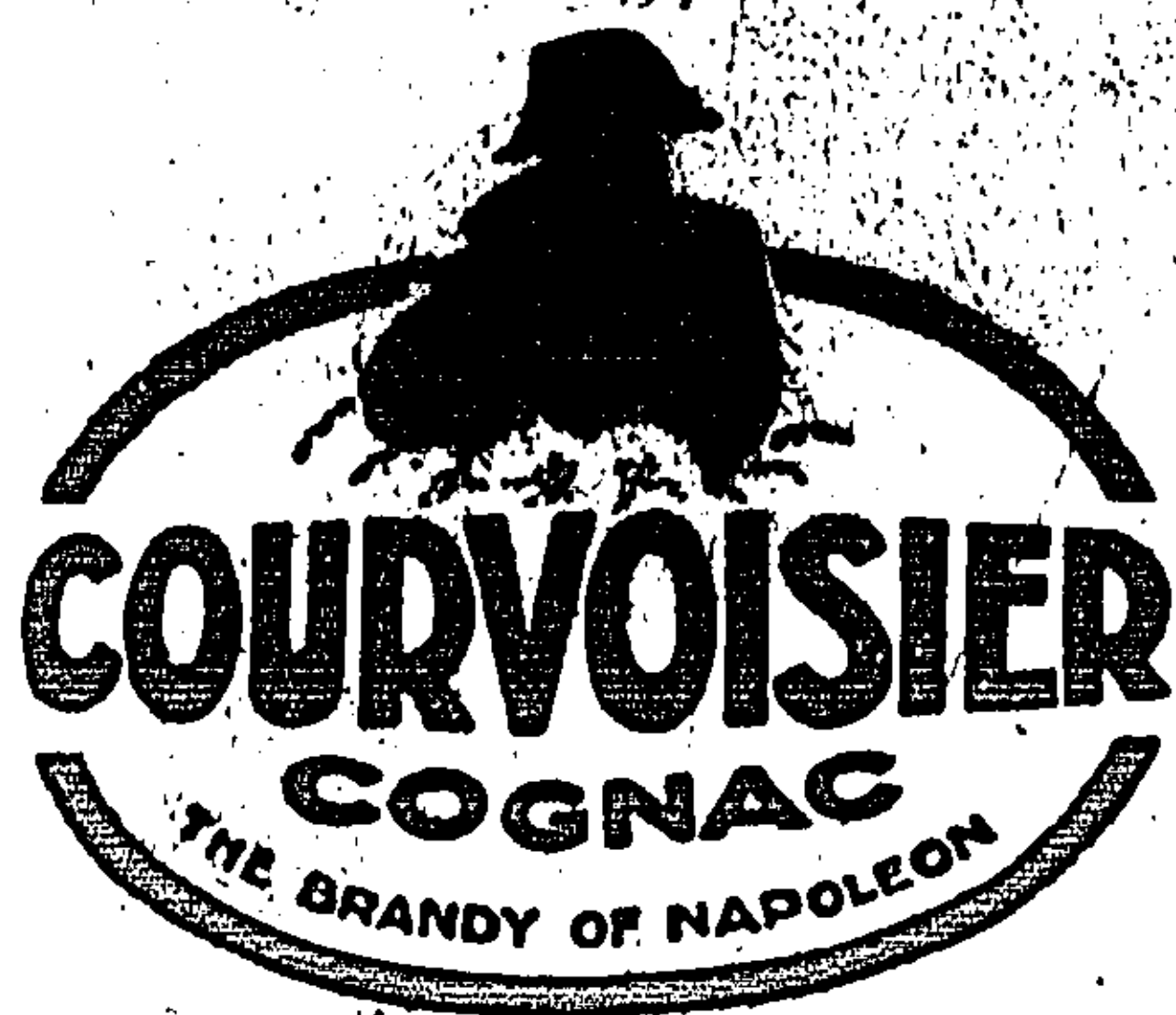
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Princess Youssupoff Sues For Libel

WHEN the Princess Irena Alexandrovna Youssupoff, a royal of the Imperial Court of Russia, stood in the witness box of the court of the Lord Chief Justice in her action against Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures Corporation, her story contained more elements of human tragedy than any other civil action I have ever known.

It unfolded the life history of a young prince and princess driven into exile by the Russian revolution, and it told the awful story of the assassination of Rasputin, the man who did so much to bring about the downfall of the Imperial House.

The family and fortunes of Prince Youssupoff seem to have sprung from the most romantic beginning. It is said that he was directly descended from the last Emperor of Tartary.

When Tartary was overrun by Russian hordes, the conqueror, Ivan the Terrible, adopted the heir of the defeated ruler as his son, and on his death bestowed on the young prince, who then took on the name, and title of Prince Youssupoff, tracts of land so enormous that they were almost impossible to measure.

Great charm

In 1915 Prince Felix Youssupoff was the survivor of the family, and possessed of their vast inheritance.

The Prince was a young man of great charm in manner and personal appearance. There is a portrait of him, painted by a well-known Russian artist, which is remarkable in its beauty.

His wealth was unbelievable even for a Russian prince. Money meant nothing to him; whatever he desired was always at his disposal. "Fabulous" is the only word which can convey the immensity of his possessions.

In 1914 he married the Princess Irena, niece of the Tsar, whose beauty must have been outstanding even in the Russian court, and the young couple may well have been envied in their lives and in their home; the Moika Palace, at St Petersburg.

The tragedy which was so soon to blot all the nobility of

Russia fell with unexampled cruelty on the young Prince and Princess Youssupoff.

The strange figure of Rasputin is now well-known to history. He is said to have been a monk, although there appears to be no evidence to support such a contention, and his origin remains wrapped in mystery.

He suddenly appeared in the Russian capital during the first World War, and almost immediately became the centre of controversy. Some people regarded him almost as a god, others looked on him merely as a dangerous and disgusting rascal.

In appearance he was dirty and unkempt, while in his personal habits he was revolting, a drunken libertine without as far as I have been able to discover, a single redeeming merit.

But he claimed for himself a unique gift; the power of magnetic healing, and such was his peculiar personality that he undoubtedly succeeded in persuading many people that his claim was justified.

The Tsarevitch

His visit to St Petersburg was singularly well-timed. The young Tsarevitch lay dying.

Doctors from all over Europe had been summoned to his bedside without avail. Nobody could effect a cure; nobody could even diagnose his illness, and all hope of recovery was practically abandoned.

In these tragic circumstances a lady of the Court told the Empress of Rasputin's strange reputation—he was openly claiming throughout the city that no cure was beyond his power.

Tortured by an agony of misery and despair, the Empress was prepared to clutch at any straw. Rasputin was summoned to the Palace and taken to the sick room of the dying Tsarevitch.

Probably nobody will ever know what steps if any, Rasputin took, but from the day of his arrival at the palace the health of the young Prince improved. His pain left him and his illness seemed to disappear. Outwardly, at any rate, the Monk had made good his claim, and the heir to the Russian throne was saved.

The gratitude of the Tsar and Tsarina knew no bounds. No gifts could be too great and no position too high for the saviour of their son. In a day Rasputin

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sprang from a charlatan in the city streets (a little favourite of the Imperial Court).

If he had been content with mere financial recognition no great harm would have been done, but he was not. Power and still more power was his ambition, and with an Emperor distraught with trouble and an Empress hysterical with gratitude, he found instruments ready to his hand.

Within a few months he became a virtual ruler of all the Russians. Suggestions to his Imperial master became commands; he caused generals to be degraded and high statesmen to be removed. Nobody in Russia felt safe in the face of his devilish machinations, and through all the changes Rasputin remained drunken, dirty and debauched.

That he should be hated outside the Court was, of course, inevitable, but so great was the terror he inspired that even his unpopularity might not have brought about his downfall but for a rumour that he was not a loyal Russian but a German spy. Men began to whisper that he was in the pay of Germany, and that the betrayal of Russia was his aim. The Tsar was to be deposed and Rasputin was to be ruler in his place.

still at the table and the Prince fired shot after shot into his body, while his victim charged about the room roaring like a bull.

At last, he fell to the ground and Youssupoff, in a frenzy of horror, beat him to death with a loaded stick. Then, with the aid of his colleagues, the body was thrown into the ice-bound river.

Revolution

It was, of course, inevitable that the death of Rasputin would become public knowledge, and suspicion almost immediately fell on Prince Youssupoff. He was arrested and, possibly because of the universal hatred felt towards his victim, the only sentence passed on him by the Tsar was banishment.

He was exiled from St Petersburg to a remote portion of his estate in provincial Russia, and he never returned. Soon afterwards came the Revolution, and Prince and Princess Youssupoff escaped from Russia, bereft of all their great possessions, to live their lives in comparative poverty and obscurity in a foreign capital.

Except for themselves, all the principal characters in the

tion. The main ground on which the plaintiff must rely was based on the fact that in real life Rasputin had been killed by Prince Youssupoff and, consequently, if the film was, as it purported to be, a true picture of the story it portrayed, the fictitious Prince Chokodoff must have been intended to represent Prince Youssupoff, and consequently the princess of the film must have been intended for his wife.

But in a court of law facts have to be proved, if the defendants would admit that Rasputin had been killed by Prince Youssupoff, many of the difficulties would disappear.

But if they denied it the only witness who could prove the fact was Prince Youssupoff himself, and it was a terrible responsibility to put a witness into the box to give evidence that he had been guilty of assassination.

I am bound to confess that I entered on the case with considerable anxiety.

True account

The action was tried before Mr Justice Avey and a special jury. The court was crowded to suffocation, with well-known men and women, many of whom must have known the Youssupoffs in happier days, and all of them listening eagerly to the true account of events which had rocked an Empire.

The Prince and Princess alone appeared unmoved as they took their places in the well of the court, where, save for their time in the witness box, they sat throughout the long trial, motionless and silent.

I opened the case in the ex-parte court, without rhetorical embellishment, the story itself was dramatic enough. And then, with an inward anxiety only an advocate can know, I called Prince Youssupoff to the witness box. The plaintiff in a libel action is all-important, and no counsel can ever foretell what impression a witness may make on a court. The most intelligent may appear nervous and uncertain; the most truthful, in their desire for accuracy, give an appearance of prevarication.

Told story

I need not have worried. Prince Youssupoff was a true realisation of an advocate's dream. Throughout her long and painful ordeal her demeanour never altered. She showed neither indignation nor distress. She answered every question without hesitation and with-out failing courtesy, although some of the suggestions made to her might well have provoked an outburst.

She accepted without question every dissimilarity in character between herself and the princess in the film. She neither argued nor explained. She merely told her story. And—no doubt partly because of the impression she was creating—the defendants were driven to a form of cross-examination, which I thought unwise; it was suggested to her, perhaps with the object of minimising any possible damages, that she had been induced to bring the action with the plaintiff, or at least undignified, object of obtaining money from the defendants.

The Princess treated the suggestion with calm contempt, and when she left the box there was no doubt that she carried with her the sympathy of all who had heard her.

But even then we had not reached the substance of the case, who had killed Rasputin?

I rose and asked counsel for the defendants if it was disputed that the death had been caused by Prince Youssupoff. It was

the moment for which every body had been waiting, and the defendants counsel at once replied that he disputed it completely.

No doubt the defendants fully realised the difficulty in which such a denial would place me, but it had to be faced. I called Prince Youssupoff into the box.

If the Princess had been an impressive witness, the Prince was no less remarkable. It was an awful story that he had to tell, but he told it without passion, and indeed, without emotion of any kind. The invitation to the Moika Palace, the poisoned cakes, the revolver shots, the loaded stick—he told it all.

Tale of horror

"I killed Rasputin," he said. "It was my duty to kill him, so I killed him."

The defendants were forced to challenge every statement he had made, and to try to discredit his evidence, even to the extent of suggesting that it was not he, but one of his friends more closely resembling the fictitious Prince Chokodoff, who was responsible for the assassination.

Ordinary Englishmen and women do not like such tales of horror, and the defendants may have thought that the longer Prince Youssupoff was required to tell his story, the greater was the chance that the jury might be prejudiced against him, and he was cross-examined for a period that must have seemed interminable. Every detail was disputed; every statement was challenged.

"Are you really suggesting that you gave Rasputin cakes soaked in poison, and that he ate them?"

"I gave him poisoned cakes. He ate them. He would not die, so I had to shoot him."

It was suggested that it was not he, but one of his companions who fired the shots.

Long ordeal

"As he would not die I left the room. I took a revolver and my friend I shot Rasputin. Many times I shot him. Still he would not die. He roared like a bull. I beat him to death with a heavy stick. Then we threw him into the river."

All who heard him may well have been appalled by such an awful story, but to question the truth of anything he was telling was quite impossible. Throughout his long ordeal the Prince stood like a figure carved in stone.

"I had not killed a man before, but it was my duty to kill Rasputin. So I killed him."

Now the defendant's main defence remained. The total dissimilarity between Youssupoff and the fictitious prince Chokodoff was again accentuated, and as had the Princess, the Prince agreed to every suggestion made to him. In character the two people were in no way the same.

Film shown

Once again I thought the defendants had been unwise. Now that we had called Prince Youssupoff the real importance of dissimilarity between the characters tended to fade into the background.

At the conclusion of the plaintiff's case the jury were invited to see the film, and when the jury returned to court the defendants adopted a course which played into my hands. They decided to call evidence to accentuate the differences on which they so strongly relied.

They called many witnesses, and all were unanimous that the Prince Youssupoff was

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The Share Transfer Books will be closed from Wednesday, 6th December, 1950, to Friday, 15th December, 1950, (inclusive) for the purpose of the preparation of Dividend Warrants.
Dividend Warrants will be issued at the Registered Office of the Company, 15th Floor, Telephone House, 100, Queen's Road, Kowloon, between 9.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. on Friday, 15th December, 1950.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
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By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. A. GRINHAM, Secretary.

JOHN DEWES MAKES SURE OF A PLACE IN THE FIRST TEST



JOHN DEWES

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE NOVEMBER HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF VOTING MEMBERS will be held at the Club House, Happy Valley, on Wednesday, 29th November, 1950, at 5.45 p.m.

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Brisbane, Nov. 28.

John Dewes, young Cambridge student, returned to form here today when he scored 117 for the MCC in their drawn match against Queensland.

Though Dewes could not prevent the MCC being headed on first innings his display must have lifted his own morale and that of other young members of the side. His success was well deserved. With Cyril Washbrook he carried the overnight fourth wicket stand to 178 but with his score at 50 he had an attack of cramp which forced him to retire for treatment.

He resumed when six men were out for 200 and 100 runs were required for a first innings lead.

By this time Washbrook, who carried the burden of the side on his shoulders for nearly five hours in making 80 out of 180, had been dismissed.

RESPONSIBILITY
This meant that Dewes, who for a time had Godfrey Evans as a runner, shouldered the chief responsibility. Nobly did he accept the task.

When the total stood at 215 for eight wickets the MCC looked in danger of finishing well behind on the first innings but first John Warr, another Cambridge University player, helped to add 37 and then Eric Hollies, in a last wicket stand of 39, showed grit while Dewes sought to get on top of the bowling.

Passing his first 100 of the tour was merely incidental to him in his fight to put his side in front. Though he failed in his prime objective he failed gallantly.

It was undoubtedly Dewes' best and most polished innings in Australia. He put considerable power into his strokes, which included 13 fours, and had he taken all the possible singles he would have made 20 to 30 runs more.

POLITELY "NO!"
He refused these purely because he wanted to keep his

last two partners from the bowling.

Whereas Dewes must have made certain of his Test place along with four other batsmen, Hutton, Washbrook, Compton and Simpson, that of the sixth batsman is still very open.

COMPELLED TO FIGHT
All through the MCC innings the batsmen were compelled to fight for runs against bowlers who scarcely sent down a loose ball.

The best bowler was fast medium Johnson, who kept the ball up to the batsman on a ground around the "dumps" moved in late and occasionally made one whip away.

McCool bowled better, than his analysis indicates. Both Close and Dewes were dropped off him.—Reuter.

Ronnie Clayton Retains Featherweight Title

London, Nov. 28.
Ronnie Clayton, of Blackpool, 27-year-old British and British Empire Featherweight Boxing Champion, retained his titles when he out-pointed Jim Kenny, a miner aged 22, from Glasgow, over 15 rounds at the Royal Albert Hall, London, tonight.

Clayton made the Lonsdale Belt his own property when he defeated Kenny, who is Scottish Champion.

Kenny opened in lively fashion and with his sharp left lead and powerful right he had the champion worried in the early rounds, but from the third round onwards the issue was never in doubt.

Clayton took over the initiative from the bell in the fourth round. He rocked Kenny to his heels with a powerful right hook to the jaw and then, following up his advantage, sent the challenger sprawling through the ropes.

Kenny fell on top of the time-keeper's bell and it looked as if he would not succeed in getting back into the ring, but he just managed it as the count reached nine.

Kenny's confidence had gone and he did not produce anything like the form he had shown in the early rounds. Clayton took everything Kenny could hand out at the beginning and then proceeded with cold calculation to take toll of his opponent with furious short punches.

Kenny put up a game display, but was outclassed.—Reuter.

9 To 1 On An Even Money Chance

London, Nov. 28.
One of the strangest racing oddities occurred at the Ayr races last weekend when punters got nearly 9 to 1 on an even money chance by putting their wagers on the totalisator.

There were only two runners in the Highland Steeple Chase—Fiddburgh Lass and Golden Prospect.

After some keen exchanges in the betting ring, Golden Prospect became the favourite at 10 to 11 with Fiddburgh Lass at 11 to 10. Those who supported Golden Prospect saw the horse fall three times from home, leaving Fiddburgh Lass to finish alone.

Jack Peterson, of C.D. who had bet on the outsider, win-win, standing by to draw at the best, was smiling at their two shilling stake in view of the fact that Fiddburgh Lass seemed to have the better form and was a better bet than Golden Prospect.

They could hardly believe their eyes when they saw that Golden Prospect had won the race. "I've never seen a horse like that before," said Peterson, "and I've never seen a horse like that before."

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Most Of The Ex-Champions Are Doing Quite Well

Reports JOHN RALPH

The fanfares sound, the champion enters. The crowd rises to acclaim him. Less than an hour later the giant lies on his dressing-room couch, a doctor tends his bruised and battered face and the great wails on his ribs.

At the same time, through the dressing-room door, comes the roar of the same crowd—this time more fervent, more hysterical than before, but acclaiming the new champion in place of the old.

At 29, Bruce Woodcock, now EX-heavyweight champion of Britain and the Empire, former world title prospect, turned recently to manager Tom Hurst, and said quietly: "I think this had better be the last time I start looking for that little pub."

But for Bruce, seeing dimly through one eye, the outlook was not really so bad. He had won big money; he had been anything but improvident, and extravagant.

But they are not all so lucky, these ex-champions. Remember Siki—the man who massacred the idol Carpenter—found years later bedraggled and penniless in a gutter in New York's Hell's Kitchen with a knife between his shoulders?

What of the others? Dempsey, Tunney, Len Harvey, Reggie Meen, Freddie Mills, Phil Scott, Kid Berg... Men better known than presidents and premiers—and often earning many times as much?

LANDLORD LEN
Of some of them, apart from those named, there is not a happy story to tell. One ex-champion is in a mental hospital, his wife and children living in near-poverty. Another, shabby clothes hanging on his once muscular frame, his shoes torn, performed menial tasks for a street bookmaker.

But most of the ex-champs, the big men particularly, are doing well.

At the Railway Tavern, Chiswick, is Len Harvey, now 43, well established as a landlord. He looks as trim as ever. He is proud of his saloon lounge, with its walls covered with photographs of boxers, cricketers, footballers and heroes of every game.

Here the sporting men of generations past and present come to talk with the great Len and perhaps join in a sing-song.

He points proudly to the pictures on the walls, says: "You can see I never feel out of touch. I have never regretted the day I hung up my gloves."

NO GRUMBLES
Like Harvey, Freddie Mills was reputed to have earned more than £20,000 in purse money. Mills is quite happy running a Chinese restaurant with a friend in Charing Cross Road. Boxers, film stars drop in to eat and to chat.

Was it worth while? Said Freddie: "When you are champion you have to live like one. Your earning life is short, expenses and taxes are high, and at 30 you will find yourself without a job, without friends if you are not careful."

"Five thousand pounds sounds a big purse, but half goes in taxation and expenses. But I don't grumble. I've only had to pay like everybody else."

GRABBING HANDS
Ted (Kid) Lewis, middle-weight champion in 1920 and light-heavyweight champion in 1921, was one of the luckiest, hardest-hitting fighters of them all. Now at 54, he is a grandfather, lives in Bayswater, W., manages young boxers and works with a business promoter.

"I've no complaints," he said. "Boxing's a great game if you can keep your nose clean." But when I was a champ and in the money, there were hundreds of grabbing hands around all the time. I just couldn't say "No." I gave away hundreds, perhaps thousands.

Jack Peterson, like Woodcock, hung up his gloves after heavy punishment had threatened his sight. Jack, champion in 1932 when he knocked out Reggie Meen, was advised to retire in 1937, and was said to have saved £25,000.

He has kept fit and devotes most of his time to welfare work for young sportsmen in Wales.

KANE LOST ALL
When Peter Kane left a blacksmith's shop in Colborne, Wales, to win the flyweight championship with his whirling wind hammer blows. He earned enough with his fists to stay in the best hotels and make those days by the side seem far away.

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There are eight races. The First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through Tickets (8 Races—\$10.00) may be obtained at the Comptroller's Office of the Club, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Pearce Memorial" scheduled to be run on 28th February, 1951.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Office at Telephone House non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at:—

6, D'Aguilar Street, Hong Kong or 382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their party MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches, Seneca tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 including for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary, the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and payment of all bills etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be sold at the RACE COURSE.

The Branch Offices and the Treasurer's Comptroller will close at 11.00 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45. The Treasurer's Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office are situated at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of times will be obtainable at the House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 (Tel. 27818).

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PUBLIC ENCLOSURE
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SERVANTS' PASSES
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"BENHILTON"	do	23rd Jan.
"BENHILTON"	do	26th Jan.
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SHIP	TO	DATE
"BENAVON"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg	11th Jan.
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MEET THE TEAMS - The Victorians



This is the team of whom there is no mention in Holbrook Jackson's monumental work. Their emergence caused considerable confusion. A contemporary insisted that they had a bye in the first round.

The Hockey League's Fixtures Secretary rang up last week to inform us that the Hongkong Ladies were going to play on Sunday as the Victorians Ladies, possibly as the Victorians. He wasn't sure. He was providing the venue and umpires and it was up to us to do the rest, short of turning out the teams.

In the end we compromised by turning out one umpire. Yet, after all the interest we have shown in their fortunes, they would not give our photographer a second chance. So we present them as they were just after being run over by a pack of determined school-girls.

Unbowed by defeat, they came back as the Victorians (citizens of the City of Victoria in the Colony

of Hongkong) the following Sunday and this time they were, indeed, victorious.

They have yet to make up their mind who plays where on the team but all the Victorians in this picture have played in at least one of the two matches to date.

They are:

Back row — Pat Lederhofer (goalkeeper), Mary Eddis (inside-left), Peglyn Faber (centre-half and captain), Joan Crighton (centre-forward) and Rita Langston (left-back).

Middle row — Pauline Owen-Hughes (right-half or left-half), Sylvia Franklin (centre-half or right-back) and Hannah Foley (left-half or inside-right).

Front row — Susan Whitworth (outside-right), Anne Sainsbury (inside-right or right-half), Judith Collis (centre-forward), Joyce Gomersall (inside-left) and Beth MacNaughton (outside-left).

— Photo by China Mail Staff Photographer.

CLOSE FINISHES LIKELY IN
THE BADMINTON LEAGUE'S
JUNIOR DIVISIONS
By "ARGONAUT"

As the Badminton League reaches the end of its fourth week, there is already every indication that there will be a very close finish in all the Junior Divisions. By far the most keenly fought out race should be seen in the Men's "B" Division, where practically every one of the seven participating teams is capable of producing a major change in the League table.

Recrelo, after going down to University by the narrow margin of 5-4 in their opening match, scored their first win with a 7-2 triumph over Kowloon Tong.

The return of A. Souza, considerably strengthened the Portuguese line-up. He and F. M. Rozario, who showed up last season when playing for the VRC as one of the most outstanding junior combinations in the Colony, had little difficulty in collecting their full quota of three sets.

St. Teresa, who also were narrowly edged out in their opening encounter by Chung Wah, retrieved their position with a convincing win of 8-1 over Shallders.

In the Men's "C" Division, University and Kowloon Tong top the two Sections, closely followed by Kowloon Cricket Club and Chung Wah respectively.

Both University and Chung Wah, remain so far the only two unbeaten teams.

VRC, who had done extremely well until yesterday, dropped their first match last night, losing to Kowloon Tong by seven sets to two.

Two teams, Kowloon Docks, and Tytam broke their "ducks" with two creditable performances.

Kowloon Docks, ably led by R. Lapeley and W. Riley, who came through with three sets, topped St. John's 7-2 and Tytam just made it over Recrelo.

RECRELO UNBEATEN

The Mixed Doubles League sees Recrelo at the top of the table with an unbeaten record of five wins, as a result of a further win of 8-1 yesterday over Kowloon Docks.

Making a welcome return to competitive badminton was Recrelo's Rita Marques. With Teresa Campos, last year, as her partner, Rita gave an impressive account of herself in the Colony Ladies' Doubles Championship.

Craigengower added two more points last night when they defeated Talkoo by 6-3 to climb to the second position.

A feature of this match was the brilliant display put up by Talkoo's W. Brown and Greta Beattie, who claimed all their three sets, including one from

the hitherto unbeaten pair in the League, R. Tay and Elvie Tsok. The two Senior Division teams Chinese YMCA "Whites" and Chinese YMCA "Blues" are third and fifth respectively at the moment, but have not lost a single match yet with a few more matches still in hand.

HOW THEY STAND

MEN'S "A" DIVISION

Chinese YMCA	P.W.	L.F.	A.Pts.
"A"	1	0	8 1 2
Chinese YMCA	1	0	0 0 0
"B"	0	0	0 0 0
Club de Recrelo	1	0	1 8 0

MEN'S "B" DIVISION

Chung Wah	1	0	5 4 2
University	1	0	5 4 2
St. Teresa	2	1	12 6 2
Recrelo	2	1	11 7 2
Shallders	2	1	6 12 2
Kowloon	2	0	2 6 12 0
Tong	0	0	0 0 0
St. John's	0	0	0 0 0

MEN'S "C" DIVISION

(Section I)	P.W.	L.F.	A.Pts.
University	2	0	13 5 4
KCC	3	2	1 16 11 4
Kowloon	3	1	2 14 13 2
Docks	3	1	2 12 15 2
St. John's	3	1	2 12 15 2
St. Teresa	1	0	5 4 2
"B"	1	0	5 4 2
Talkoo	2	0	2 3 16 0

MEN'S "D" DIVISION

(Section II)	P.W.	L.F.	A.Pts.
Kowloon	4	3	1 24 12 6
Tong	2	2	0 13 5 4
Chung Wah	2	2	0 13 5 4
VRC	3	2	1 15 12 4
St. Teresa	2	1	1 8 10 2
"A"	3	1	2 10 17 2
Tytam	3	1	2 10 17 2
Chinese YMCA	1	0	1 8 10 0
Recrelo	3	0	3 8 10 0

MIXED DOUBLES

Recrelo	5	5	0 37 1 10
Craigengower	0	4	2 31 23 8
Chinese Y	3	3	0 27 0 6
"Whites"	4	3	1 25 11 6
"A"	2	2	0 15 8 4
University	3	2	1 19 8 4
Shallders	4	2	2 18 14 4
Talkoo	7	2	5 10 44 4
St. Teresa	0	0	0 0 45 0
Kowloon	0	0	0 7 47 0

FA Cup Replays

The following were the results of FA Cup first round replays today:

Chatham Athletic & Bradford City

Southampton & Lincoln City

Leeds & Huddersfield

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CHESS TOURNEY

Schure Beats
Eugen Taus

The most interesting game of the fifth round of the tournament for the Championship of the Kowloon Chess Club, played last night at the Peninsula Hotel, was that between L. Schure, former Club Champion, and Eugen Taus, rivals for the runner-up berth.

Schure, playing his favourite French Defence, emerged victor in 40 moves. Taus lost a centre pawn in the middle game and his position gradually deteriorated.

S. Girtskey, the Colony Champion, won from Karel Weiss to retain a half-point lead over Schure.

Ray Danenberg moved up to a local Chess "Master" as he defeated Joseph Taus. He now needs a half-point from his remaining two games to re-qualify and join the select company of Girtskey, Schure and Eugen Taus.

The game between A. Birlukoff and P. K. Prokopov was adjourned in an even position of queens and pawns and is likely to end in a draw.

HOW THEY STAND

P.W.	L.F.	Pts.
S. Girtskey	5	4 1 - 4 1/2
L. Schure	5	3 2 - 4
E. Taus	5	3 2 - 3
R.C. Danenberg	6	2 3 - 3 1/2
K. Weiss	4	1 2 - 1 1/2
P. K. Prokopov	3	1 - 3 1
A. Birlukoff	3	1 - 3 1
J. Taus	5	1 0 4 2

KGV'S Juniors

May Lose

The Lead

Only three games will be played this coming Sunday in the Ladies' Hockey League and the League leaders, King George V School "B", meet their toughest opposition in the toughest of the school grounds.

Recrelo, who are behind them only on goal average, meet Gremlin "B" at King's Park.

The fixtures are: Recrelo v. Gremlin "B" at Recrelo ground, 2.30 p.m. (Umpires: W. Khan and A. Aziz).

KGV's "B" v. Victorians at the KGV's "B" ground, 3.30 p.m. (Umpires: A. Abbas and K. Loy).

Cutch Ladies v. Gremlin "A" at Pokfulam, 2.30 p.m. (Umpires: U.S. Dillon and L. Omand).

ARMY FOOTBALL REFEREES

There will be a meeting to discuss the Army Football League and the Army Football

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HANDICRAFT WORK IN THE ARCTIC

A young Canadian painter, by name Jim Houston, who is a graduate of the Toronto School of Art, has earned the gratitude of the Eskimos in certain regions of Canada's northern hinterland by his helpful encouragement of their handicrafts.

When during the last war he was, while serving with the Toronto Scottish regiment, stationed for a time on the fringe of the Arctic Circle, he became interested in the Eskimos living near his post. So after his discharge from the army he determined to do some paintings of Eskimo life and induced a friend, who was an airman, to transport him to Port Harrison on Hudson Bay.

There he painted numerous pictures of the Eskimos in 1940 and when he returned he brought out about twenty native carvings in stone or walrus ivory.

When he showed these articles to officials of the Canadian Handicrafts Guild in Montreal, they were so impressed with their merits that they asked him to get several hundred more for public sale. Accordingly, when he revisited the Arctic in 1947, he secured by bartering cartridges, needles, tea, &c., for them some thousand more articles, which were all sold in Montreal in a few days.

This year Mr Houston, during his fourth visit to the Arctic, bought about thirty thousand pieces; the majority of them were carved animals, dolls, and baskets, but he also secured

from the Eskimos sealskin jackets, boots, and purses. To promote the sale of these articles the Handicrafts Guild has opened in the centre of Toronto a new store, which is finding numerous customers.

Mr Houston has not tried to introduce any new techniques or designs; he has bought what the Eskimos made on their own initiative and merely encouraged them to undertake more work and on a larger scale.

In his northern journeys, in which he has encountered temperatures 50 degrees below zero, he dresses in clothing made of caribou skins and sleeps in the natives' igloos, and shares their meals of uncooked frozen fish and seal meat.

He reports that the Eskimos take great pride in their standards of craftsmanship and is full of praise of their good-natured friendliness to visitors whom they like.

In his work he has had helpful co-operation from the Hudson's Bay Company, and the Federal Government has lately recognised its value by giving him a grant of money.

Animals On Hunger Strike

One of the busiest men at London Airport is 42-year-old Londoner Leslie Mason, BOAC's animal officer.

The reason he has plenty to do is that every ninth passenger in BOAC aeroplanes now is an animal, bird or fish, and he comes under his care on landing or in transit.

At the airport he is nicknamed "the monkey man." Thirty thousand animals have flown on this service in the past 18 months.

HOME FOR THE NIGHT

His trickiest passengers. Three orang-outangs on hunger-strike.

They arrived at London Airport from Calcutta on their way to a New York zoo and refused his tempting offers of bananas, grapes and oranges.

Mason took them home for the night to his house near the airport.

There one of them helped himself to canary seed, and soon the rest were tucking in, going on to raw eggs and brown bread. They refused glucose-sweetened tea, but accepted a lot of brandy each.

FAVOURITE MEALS

Many strange travellers have been met at London Airport by Mr Mason, who has had 25 years' experience of animals.

One recent arrival was a baby hippo, weighing 30lb, from West Africa.

Animal passengers travel by special "Noah's Ark" freighters, and instructions for their comfort include menus of their favourite meals.

BEER AS CURE FOR 'EXAMITIS'

There is too much "examitis" about, says the editorial of the current issue of The Queen's Medical Magazine, the journal of the Birmingham University Medical School, which reproaches students who concentrate on examinations to the exclusion of other interests.

The editorial, which goes on to inquire into "this disease of our educational system," suggests as part treatment, an occasional glass of beer and attendance at some of the social functions of the medical school of the University.

Says the editorial: "We live, unhappily, in an age of degrees, diplomas and certificates, the number of which is daily increasing and the necessity for which is becoming daily more apparent."

The tragedy of the situation is that a student's work is literally for the examination; a mere cramming of data calculated to convince some impersonal body of examiners that he has a theoretical knowledge of some

JOHNNY HAZARD



BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

WHEN the woodmen came to cut down the great oaks of the forest of Gastine in the Vendomois, Ronsard cried out in a superb poem. It seemed to him that they were felling not trees but the dryads who lived within them.

So it may seem to many that when the workmen come to demolish the Gaiety Theatre they will be throwing down not stone and mortar but the goddesses who lived within—Gertie Millar, Julia James, Olive May, Denise Orme, Evie Greene. As Mr Ivor Brown has pointed out, what a good thing it would have been to reopen it for the 1951 Festival. But now it will be absorbed into the general dreariness. One consolation is that it could never have been again what it once was. Those golden girls have been replaced by an inferior article in plastic utility still.

Mrs McGurgle's American

POOR Mr Chadstone is now afraid to drop his American role. Yesterday mistaking a gas-man for another inspector, he greeted him with a loud cry of "Shuck!" "What?" asked the gas-man. "Howabout it?" said the librarian. "About what?" asked the gas-man. "Boopadoop," said Mr Chadstone, and he began to sing. "Ain't no nubbuddy burd yew," Mrs McGurgle came in at that moment. "It's all right, Chaddy," she said. "This is the gas-man." "I can't keep this up much longer," said the librarian. "I don't know enough phrases." "You're better than the others," answered the landlady graciously. "Old Miss Birdcastle told one of the inspectors that she was an 'American Cinematograph actress over here to fulfill a contract.' 'Well,' said Mr Chadstone, 'so she may as well be a lumber king from New Orleans. If we get a real American here, they'll probably think he's English if he doesn't talk like the rest of us. It's all rather crackers—I mean, rather silly.'"

Under the chestnut tree

TODAY I received a letter telling me that a joke printed in this column the other day appeared in 1911 in a Belgrade newspaper. If the joke-detectives are as hot on my trail as that, I may as well confess that I don't invent all my jokes. I find that there are better ones to be picked up here and there. I will not go far as to say that I scour the Balkan Press for jests. Anyhow, the Belgrade paper probably got the joke from my

ancestor, Bateau de Grève, the 18th century Beachcomber who conducted the column called *Fatras in the Gazette de France*.

Mrs Fomble's suggestion

DEAR SIR, Surely the housewife's life could be made easier if the Government would train dogs to look after children. All mothers could then go to work in factories without having to take the child units to communal nurseries.

Yrs, truly,
(Mrs) Ada Fomble.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

If you are born today, you must always guard against temperamental excesses. You quickly tire of routine or monotony and will blow up much too easily when crossed. The stars have given you many talents and tremendous capability. Your energy is high and once you get your teeth into a job, you will never give it up until it is finished as you want it to be. Under pressure of production your tensions build up into a display of temperment and it can cause dissension and difficulty for you. It might be said that you are loved and admired in spite of it!

You have a magnetic personality which influences a large circle of friends who will be loyal throughout life. You enjoy travelling and will do considerably of it. A change of scene seems to give you added inspiration and incentive. You are far-sighted in matters of public

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Join a group of congenial associates in some cultural or intellectual project.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Broaden the scope of your activities. Social plans can be made successfully now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Complete some job of interior decoration. You can make your home more beautiful.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Romance is favoured. Take your favourite partner to a dance or to the theatre.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—A telephone call may prove important to your future. Check your investments carefully.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Exert caution if handling electrical appliances. Avoid serious problems in conversation today.

BARBS

By HAL COCHRAN

MAN may return to dust—but he doesn't do it around his home.

The average school kid figures his daily dozen exercises are all errands.



Why is it that with teen-age drivers, hugging the road usually seems to be secondary?

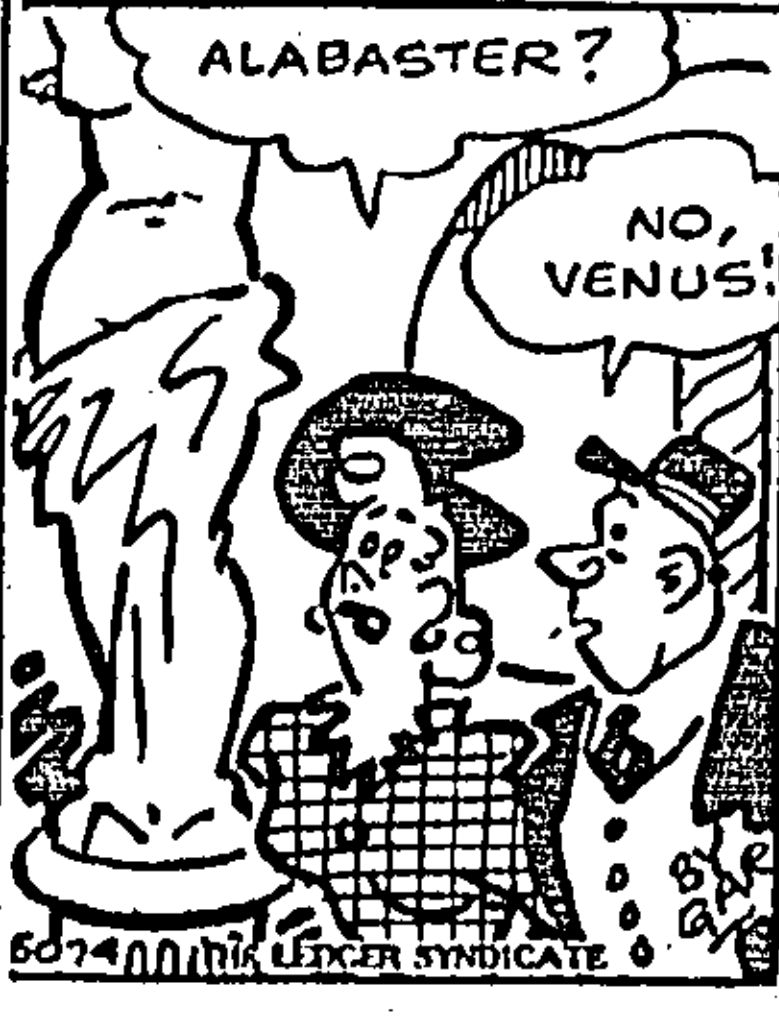
Just about as many people vote unintelligently as don't vote at all.

It's a nice and friend-making knack to be able to disagree without being disagreeable.

Check Your Knowledge

1. Who was the "nine days" queen of England?
2. Where did the first of the modern Olympic games take place?
3. What is the most important river in Scotland?
4. What was Babe Ruth's first name?
5. Name the lightest element.
6. What name is given to a small, shallow, marshy pool of water?

DUMB BELLS



JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Learn To Read Opponent's Hand

By OSWALD JACOBY

"THIS is the sort of situation," writes a Providence fan, "that seems a lot easier on paper than in actual play. On paper, West has no defence. As you can see, he actually gave quite a good account of himself."

West opened the queen of spades, and South won with the king. He finessed the ten of hearts, and East took the jack. East returned the jack of diamonds, and South won with the ace. He led a heart to dummy to finesse the jack of clubs.

West won with the king of clubs, false-carding his possession of the queen. He then returned the jack of spades, knocking out dummy's ace. Now declarer cashed the top diamonds and top hearts, hoping that one of the suits would break. On one of these tricks, West discarded his deuce of clubs.

South knew that West had started with six spades and four cards in the red suits. He had already played two clubs and could have only one club left. South could not tell that West

♠ A854 ♥ K107 ♦ K62 ♣ 10	♠ N ♥ W ♦ E ♣ S	♠ None ♥ QJ94 ♦ J1098 ♣ 67543
♠ QJ100 ♥ 62 ♦ 82 ♣ 54	♠ K73 ♥ 653 ♦ AQ78 ♣ A10	♠ E-W vul. ♠ Pass ♥ 1 N.T. Pass ♦ 3 N.T. Pass ♣ Pass

had kept the blank queen, and therefore decided to finesse the ten of clubs in the attempt to make his contract. Naturally, West took the rest of the tricks.

"On paper, West lost the contract when he discarded the deuce of clubs, since this gave declarer the chance to take the ace of clubs and drop the queen. If West had kept his clubs he could then be thrown in with a spade, and forced to lead up to declarer's clubs."

"Was there any way for declarer to know what was going on?"

As the hand was played, declarer could not be sure of what was going on. West deserves credit for a very fine defence.

However, declarer could have given himself a better chance for his contract if he had refused one of the early spade tricks. This would have made it necessary for East to find one additional discard.

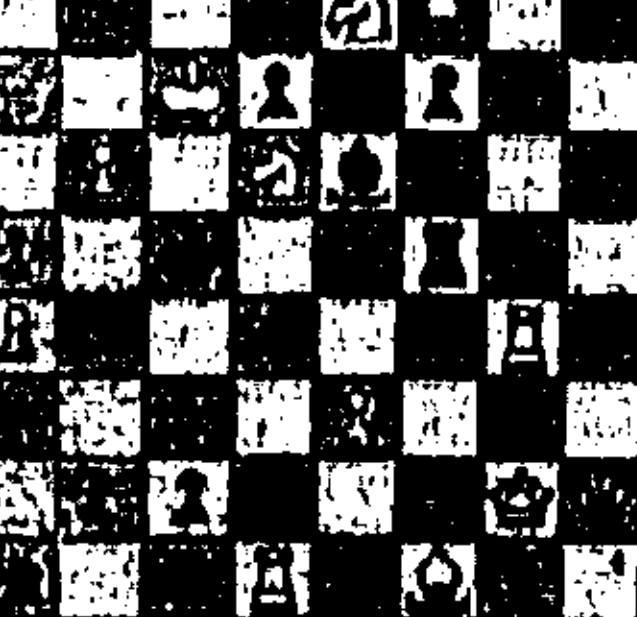
East could not afford to discard a diamond or a heart. If he discarded enough clubs, South would probably be able to figure out the situation in that suit.

For example, if South ducks one round of spades, East must discard three clubs on spades alone. He must also follow-suit twice when declarer plays clubs. Since this accounts for all of his five clubs, the declarer should have no trouble in reading the situation.

CHESS PROBLEM

By K. A. L. KUDDEL

Black: 12 pieces.



White: 1 piece.
White to play and mate in three.

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LINERS GET FESTIVAL OVERHAUL

The Queen Mary, Queen Elizabeth, Caronia and Mauretania are to be overhauled, and much repainting will be done, before they begin American tourists to Britain for the Festival.

Work has already begun on the 81,000-ton Queen Mary, now in dry dock at Southampton. Fifteen hundred men will overhaul and clean the ship in five weeks.

To renew the liner's exterior will take 2,000 gallons of paint. Another 2,000 gallons will be used in redecorating the interior.

Eight tons of anti-fouling and anti-corrosive composition will be put on to the under-water part of the hull.

Thousands of curtains, and miles of carpets, will be removed for cleaning.

BIGGER NURSERY

A new cocktail bar is to be built on the promenade deck for cabin-class passengers. The cabin-class nursery will be enlarged.

Recently the cabin class deck space in the liner was increased. An official explained: "Because of devaluation and fare increases, more people are travelling cabin class instead of first class these days."

The Queen Mary will sail for New York on December 9. Later this month the green-hulled Caronia will go to the Clyde for an overhaul.

On December 16 the Mauretania will go into dry dock and will be followed in the new year by the 83,000-ton Queen Elizabeth.

Price-pegged Shops For Air Station

As an experimental move to protect airmen and airwomen from being overcharged or supplied with shoddy goods by "get-rich-quick" traders, eight price-pegged shops are to be built in "Oxford Street," one of the roads at RAF Station, Seletar, Singapore.

The shopping centre will include a milk bar, a bookshop, and shops for the sale of fancy goods and shoes. They will be built with funds borrowed from Service welfare sources, the loan being repaid out of rent. They will be let to Asian traders and all prices will be kept under review.

Having these shops in the camp will save airmen, airwomen, and Service families long journeys when they go shopping.

Eight of the shops, which are named after London streets,

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ARRIVALS SAILINGS

PAN	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
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NDOK"	4th Jan. '51	22nd Dec.
SEVAIN"	6th Mar. '51	23rd Jan. '51

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GLESCOT"	In Port	17th Dec.
MEK"	15th Dec.	10th Jan. '51
MEK"	Mid Jan. '51	10th Feb. '51

EUROPE via MANILA and MALAYA	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
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MEK"	8th Jan. '51	18th Dec.
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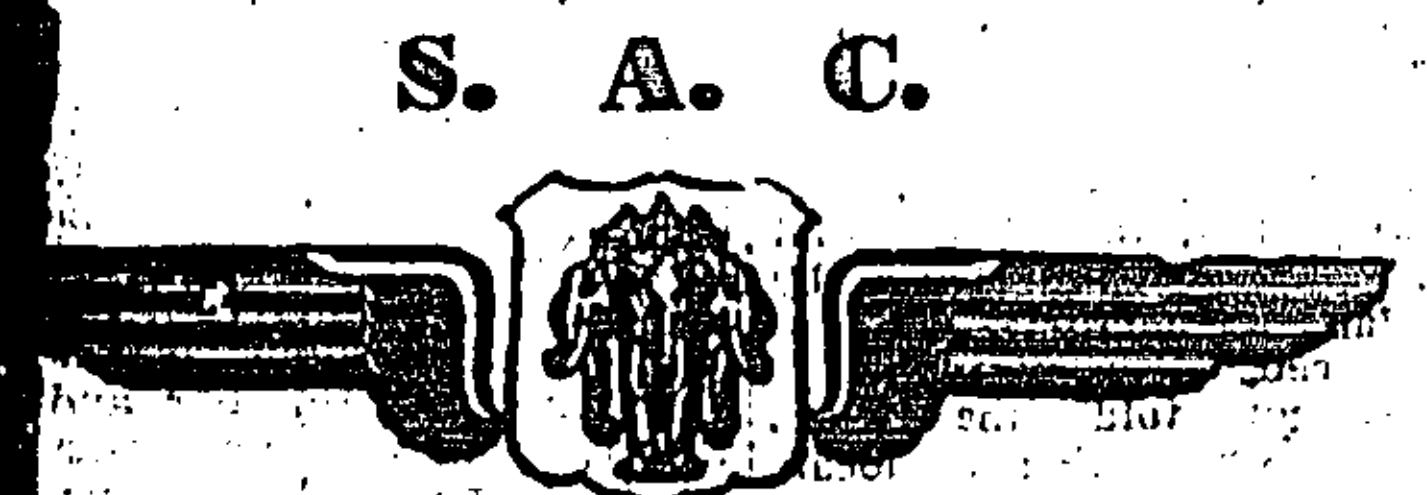
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